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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	:	Yanagi et al.
Appl. No.	:	09/980,559
Filed	:	May 14, 2002
For	:	CLONED GENOME OF INFECTIOUS HEPATITIS C VIRUS OF GENOTYPE 2A AND USES THEREOF
Examiner	:	Li, Bao Q.
Group Art Unit	:	1648

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 24, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

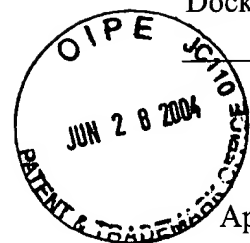
Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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AMENDMENT / RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

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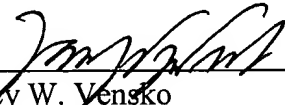
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